RE: H.B. No. 5251, An Act Concerning Medicaid

Senator Moore, Representative Abercrombie and Members of the Human Services Committee:

My name is Sandra Frederick. I live in South Meriden.

I am the Business Manager for Midstate Radiology Associates.

We provide x-rays, MRI's, Cat Scans and Mammography for patients in Meriden, Wallingford, Cheshire and the surrounding areas.

The Medicaid cuts are preventing us from purchasing State of the Art equipment for our patients.

The cuts are preventing us from recruiting new Radiologists to our area.

We have about 200 employees and because of these Medicaid cuts, we will have to reduce some of our staff in the hospital.

Patients will lose access to healthcare. Instead of same day or next day service, they will have to wait longer for their services.